

**NOTICE OF MEETING TO SOLICIT PUBLIC COMMENTS AND AN INTENT TO ACT  
UPON PROPOSED CHAPTERS OF THE NEVADA MEDICAID OPERATIONS  
MANUAL AND SERVICE MANUALS**

**AGENDA**

**Date of Publication:** January 16, 2004

**Date and Time of Meeting:** February 25, 2004 starting at 9:00 a.m.

**Name of Organization:** The State of Nevada, Department of Human Resources, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP)

**Place of Meeting:** Legislative Building  
Room 2134  
401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada

**Place of Video-Conference:** Grant Sawyer State Office Building,  
Room V-4406  
555 E. Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, NV

**Subject:** Nevada Medicaid Operational Manual (MOM) Chapter 300, Medicaid Service Manuals (MSM) 200, 600 and 1100.

1. **\* MOM Chapter 300: CIVIL RIGHTS OVERSIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY**  
This is to provide a new chapter for civil rights oversight and responsibility for the Division of Healthcare Financing and Policy.

As a recipient of federal financial assistance, the Nevada Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) serves as a Civil Rights oversight agency on behalf of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights (OCR) and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). In this capacity, DHCFP assures that certain entities designated by OCR and CMS shall comply with specified Civil Rights laws and regulations.

2. **Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes per person.**

3. **\*MSM Chapter 200: HOSPITAL SERVICES**  
Inpatient services are a federally mandated Medicaid benefit. A hospital is an inpatient medical facility licensed as such to provide services at an acute level of care for the diagnosis, care, and treatment of human illness primarily for patients with disorders other than mental diseases. For purposes of Medicaid, a hospital meets the requirements for participation in Medicare as a

hospital and does not include an Institution for Mental Diseases (IMD), a Nursing Facility (NF), or an Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR), regardless of name or licensure.

Medicaid may reimburse hospitals for providing the following services: medical/surgical, maternity, newborn, neonatal, rehabilitation, long-term acute, psychiatric, and substance abuse.

In Nevada, hospitals are licensed by the Bureau of Licensure and Certification within the Nevada State Health Division.

This is a proposed amendment to Chapter 200 of the MSM providing for revised policy pertaining to 203.4.A.3.a: Deleting the language requiring emergency room report to be attached to claim and 203.4.A.3.b: Adding language about emergency room visits that are not considered to be emergencies.

**4. Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes per person.**

**5. \*MSM Chapter 600: PHYSICIAN SERVICES**

The Nevada Medicaid Program is dependent upon the participation and cooperation of Nevada providers and other licensed professionals who provide health care to Medicaid recipients. Licensed professionals providing services within the scope of their license are recognized by Nevada as independently contracted Medicaid providers. The policy in this chapter is specific to the following identified professionals:

Advanced Practitioners of Nursing, (APN)  
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists, (CRNA)  
Chiropractors,  
Certified-Nurse Midwives  
Osteopathic Providers  
Osteopathic Provider Assistants  
Providers (M.D. and D.O. including those in a teaching hospital)  
Provider Assistants (PA)  
Podiatrists/Podiatric Providers/Podiatric Provider-Surgeons (pluralize)

This is a proposed amendment to Chapter 600 of the MSM providing for revised policy pertaining to Sec. 603.9.b.2: Deleting language that refers to reimbursement for physician emergency room services only payable with an ICD-9 diagnosis from the Emergency Diagnosis List and 603.9.b.6: This Language is grammatically incorrect and is being corrected.

**6. Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes per person.**

**7. \*MSM Chapter 1100: Ocular Services**

The Nevada Medicaid Ocular program reimburses for medically necessary ocular services to eligible Medicaid recipients under the care of the prescribing practitioner. Such services shall maintain a high standard of quality and shall be provided within the limitations and exclusions described in this chapter.

All providers participating in the Medicaid program must offer services in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Medicaid program. Conditions of participation are available from Provider Support Services at Nevada Medicaid.

Ocular services are an optional benefit within the Nevada Medicaid Program.

This is a proposed amendment to Chapter 600 of the MSM providing for revised policy pertaining to Sec. 1103.1.C: From the first paragraph, delete the reference to noncoverage for repair or replacement of broken or lost eyeglasses.

**8. Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes per person.**

**Nevada Medicaid is unaware of any financial impact to other entities or local government due to this public hearing.**

**\* Denotes items that may have action taken upon them.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the chairperson. If an action item is not completed within the time frame that has been allotted, that action item will be continued at a future time designated and announced at this meeting by the chairperson.

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If requested in writing, a copy of the proposal will be mailed to you. Requests and/or written comments on the proposed changes may be sent to the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, 1100 E. William Street, Suite 102, Carson City, NV 89701.

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